

URGES ALL TO BE PRESENT AT TREE FOR CELEBRATION

Committee in Charge of Community Ceremonies Asks Large Attendance at Event.

BEGINS AT FIVE IN EVENING

Mayor McConochie Will Open Exercises on Market Square and Audience Will Sing Carols.

Every man, woman and child in Rock Island is invited to attend the second annual Rock Island community Christmas tree celebration in Market square at 5 o'clock tomorrow evening.

The lights will be turned on at that time and the program will be started which will be from the opening address by Mayor McConochie, on behalf of the city department of the Rock Island Woman's club, which has in charge the celebration, will extend a welcome to the public.

The exercises, it is thought, will last about 45 minutes and will be concluded not later than 6 o'clock. The idea of the committee in charge in arranging the program has been to increase the community spirit in the celebration and instead of having individual numbers the entire audience is expected to join in the singing of Christmas carols.

E. L. Philbrook, supervisor of music in the public schools, will direct the singing. Flute music will be provided by Kenneth Vernon and Hervey E. Curtis.

In Center of Square.

The event promises to be very pretty. The tree this year is situated in the center of Market square on the site where the old scales house stood and being so situated will give all a chance to gather around it. Last year there was room only on three sides for the audience.

The tree as decorated now, with miniature mirrors which will aid in reflecting the light and add to the beautiful spectacle the tree will present when lighted, will be raised three feet. The committee in charge last night held a meeting and decided that the tree would be more conspicuous and seen from a greater distance if it is raised.

Members of the committee today expressed themselves as believing that a large crowd would greet the tree when the lights are turned on and the program starts. Last year there were hundreds at Market square when the municipal celebration was held and it is thought that the number present this year will far exceed that of last year. Parents are urged to bring their children. The tree will be kept light-

Santa Committee Needs Trucks

Several automobile trucks will be needed by The Argus Santa Claus fund committee to carry gifts to the homes of the poor children of the city Friday of this week.

It is believed there are business houses owning such conveyances who would be willing to cooperate in this enterprise in behalf of the little folks to the extent of donating the use of an auto for a few hours. The work must be done in one afternoon.

There are several hundred homes scattered in all parts of the city to be visited by the committee, which will have the gifts all arranged for delivery by Friday noon.

In former years the committee has had ready response to its call for donation of autos, and it is believed that this year will be no exception.

If you have an auto you would be willing to give to the service of the committee a few hours please call No. 3700 and ask for a member of The Argus Santa Claus fund committee. But do it now.

ed for four days, ending Saturday night.

Tree at Moline.

Plans for Moline municipal Christmas tree exercises have been completed. The tree, set in the fountain in the city park at Fourth avenue and Sixteenth street, will be lighted on Christmas eve at 6:30. It will be lighted at the same hour each following evening till the new year is ushered in.

There will be no exercises next week, though Saturday—Christmas night—the Belgian band will play. The program for Friday evening starts at 6:30, when the Moline Plover Co. band will leave the city hall, marching to the scene of public festivities. The program will open with instrumental selections, then there will be brief addresses by Mayor M. R. Carlson and Rev. R. S. Haney.

Children of the public schools and the Sunday schools of the city—all are invited to participate—will sing "Holy Night," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." Band and chorus will give "Joy to the World." "Holy City" will be played by the band and all will then join in singing "America."

The Great Eastern.

The dimensions of the one time world famous Great Eastern were as follows: Length, 692 feet; width, 83 feet; depth, 60 feet; tonnage, 24,000 tons; draft when unloaded, 20 feet; when loaded, 30 feet. She had paddle wheels 56 feet in diameter and was also provided with a four bladed screw propeller of 24 feet diameter. She had accommodations for 800 first-class, 2,000 second-class, and 1,200 third-class passengers, 4,000 in all. Her speed was about eighteen miles an hour. The Great Eastern was finally broken up for old iron in the year 1888, after a checkered career of some thirty-one years.

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OSBORNE SYSTEM GAINS ATTENTION

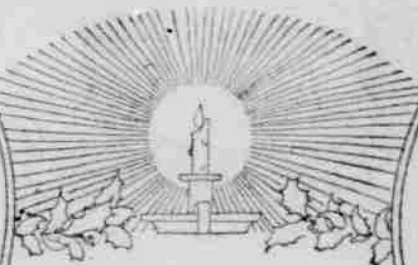
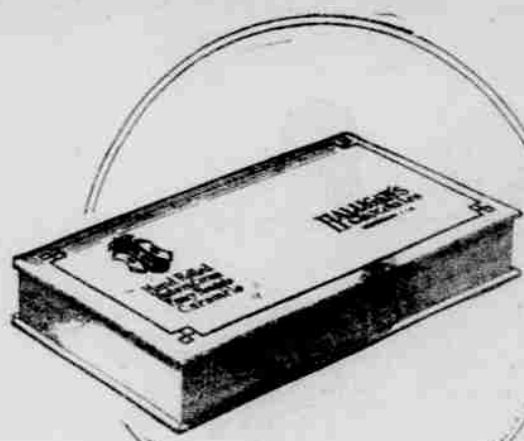
Tokio, Nov. 30.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The experiments in prison reform conducted by Thomas Mott Osborne, warden of Sing Sing prison, New York, have attracted attention in Japan, not only because the Japanese are always keenly interested in the social movements of the west but for the special reason that a system for self-government similar to that which is being tried at Sing Sing was followed in the prisons of Tokyo as far back as the year 1650.

It is intimated that if Warden Osborne's Sing Sing experiments succeed, there is a possibility that the self-government scheme may be inaugurated, or rather revived, in Japanese prisons.

Keijiro Yamashita, who is chief engineer in the present department of justice, has found that in 1650 the inmates of Tokyo prisons chose their own officials for the maintenance of order, and a great deal of authority was vested in those officials, even the power to impose the sentence of death. So far as the records show the Tokyo system worked out satisfactorily, but for some reason it dropped out of vogue.

Japan has always watched the course of prison reform in the United States, and when a movement was started to improve the Japanese prisons in 1881, commissions were sent to the United States, as well as Europe, to make a study of prison conditions. Owing to the difference in life and customs, western methods could not be wholly introduced into the Japanese prisons, but in 1903 a great step forward was made by placing all the prisons of the empire directly under the department of justice and by inaugurating the separate-cell system. The new men's prison at Tokyo, which was built by prisoners last year, is regarded as a model institution. There are two classes of cells, one for old offenders, and one, less prison-like, for first offenders.

The "ordinary" department has plastered walls and plank floors and sleeping rooms to accommodate eight persons, each room having six electric bulbs. Mr. Yamashita says: "The prisoners are well provided for in the way of library and bathing facilities, and have netting on the windows to keep out mosquitoes in summer. There is an amphitheatre seating 350 where the prisoners may be gathered for moral or religious instruction."



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AT THE MAJESTIC.

Monday and Tuesday—Frank Keenan in "The Coward" and Eddie Foy and family in "A Favorite Fool."

Wednesday and Thursday—Dorothy Gish and Wallace Reid in "Old Heidelberg" and Fatty Arbuckle in "Fickle Fatty's Fall."

Friday—Hazel Dawn and John Mason in "The Fatal Card." Christmas—Daniel Frohman presents Pauline Frederick in "Zaza." Sunday—William Faversham in "One Million Dollars."

SPENCER SQUARE.

Tuesday-Wednesday—"The Beloved Vagabond."

Thursday—"The Galley Slave." Friday—"The Galley Slave" and Bray's cartoon.

Saturday—"Daughter of the Sea."

COLONIAL.

Tuesday—"A Bit of Lace" and "Sonny Jim and the Great American Game."

Wednesday—Anita Stewart in "The Counts," "Love's Enduring Flame" and Heart-Set news pictorial.

Thursday—"Hereditry"—Broadway feature.

Friday—"In Love's Own Way."

Saturday—Blanche Sweet in "The Lonedale Operator" and "The Silent Man."

Sunday—"The Meddlesome Darling."

ILLINOIS.

Tuesday—"Betty Burton, M. D." with Linda Griffith; "The Wayward Son," with William Hinkley.

Wednesday—"Crimson Sabre," with George Marion and Isold Illian; Mutual Weekly.

Thursday—"Innocent Traitor," with Madeline Fairbanks; "The Broken Land," "The Book Agent."

Friday—"Seeing America First" and E. Forrest Taylor in "In the Sunset Country."

Saturday—Ethel Barrymore in "The Nightingale."

Sunday and Monday—Lyman Howe's pictures of the Panama canal and World's fair.

Dec. 30—San Carlos Opera company, (matinee performance only).

AT SPENCER SQUARE.

The very latest achievement in the film-producing world will be shown at the Spencer Square tonight and tomorrow, the title of which is "The Beloved Vagabond," the first American six-reel drama in color. This is one of the master productions of the season. In New York City, at the Strand theatre, New York's million-dollar house, a strong Paramount program was set aside to run the "Beloved Vagabond" for two weeks straight, playing each night to crowded houses. The black and white studies reveal the stroke of the artist, but it calls

for the life of the water color to make it seem real to us; just so is the effect of the colored photoplay. Justly the management of the theatre feels that they have given to the regular patrons of the theatre, and to many new guests that will be present, a rare treat in the programs tonight and tomorrow.

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PARTITION SUIT IS STARTED OVER A LOT

A suit to partition property among the heirs was filed in the Moline city court of Judge G. O. Dietz this morning by Mrs. Vendia Anderson of Moline. Defendants are A. Ludwig Hammerquist and C. Oscar Hammerquist. The property in question is a lot in

the west end of Moline. It was the property of Jonas Peter Hammerquist, who died Aug. 4, 1913. The three children, Mrs. Anderson, Ludwig and Oscar Hammerquist were heirs, although the widow was to have use of the property until her death. She died Nov. 24, 1913.

It is said an agreement was made to partition the property, but it has never been fulfilled. Mrs. Anderson is filing suit to force the partition.

For the Santa Claus Good Fellow

Cut Out and Mail to The Argus.

I hereby agree to buy Christmas gifts for (give number) poor children. I desire that the names of the poor children, together with their ages and addresses, be furnished me through The Argus Santa Claus Fund Committee.

Signed

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